

On stage, from left are: Greg Qualls and P.J. Noblett; bottom are: Denise Whitner and Shilo Thornton. Bible Club members conducted the memorial in the school educational complex for Texico Elementary School Principal Diane Cooper, who died earlier in the week. (Photos courtesy of Dayla Bass)

Texico memorial service honors **Diane Cooper**

by Monica Cantu A memorial was held for Diane Cooper, the Texico Elementary School principal, in the Texico Educational

Complex on Feb. 3. Texico students read poems and letters addressed to Mrs. Cooper expressing their extreme sadness at losing such a wonderful woman.

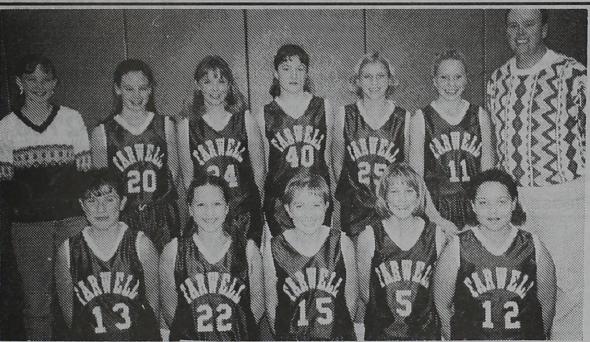
The Bible Club provided music and praise to help the students cope with their loss and offered counseling for those who wished to get closer to the Lord to help them with dealing with such a

I will always remember Mrs. Cooper as my 6th grade English instructor. She was vibrant and always full of life. And I admire her so much for the courage she showed when faced with such an aweful disease as cancer.

She inspired me.



Top from left are Texico Bible Club members Breanne Black and Tim Peabody; bottom left are: Jennifer Johnson and Amy Maxwell. They led the Texico School student body and staff in "Amazing Grace" at the Thursday memorial dedicated to Mrs. Cooper.



Farwell 8th Girls 30-0 over two years

The Farwell 8th grade Girls went 16-0 in basketball this season. Last year, they were 14-0 -- so they completed their junior high years at 30-0. Pictured are top row from left, Khallie Foster, Mindy Roberts, Chelsea Meyer, Nikki Gober, Kyra Christian and coach Brian Goldsmith; front row, Tara Sanchez, Jaimie Diaz, Hailey Grimes, Tara Schilling and Baleigh Hager.



400th victory for King

Texico Lady Wolverines' head basketball coach Roy King received a surprise congratulatory cake after Saturday's 104-44 smashing of Eunice -- for his 400th win. King has spent his entire career at Texico. He was presented the cake by school board member Richard Hadley, left. Pictured in the background is school board member Randy Cain. The ceremony took place at center court after the game at Texico gym.

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It's time for the playoffs to begin

It's time to get serious district and are the favorite to about basketball in our area.

First, let's take a look at the Farwell High varsity situa-

Farwell Girls

The Farwell girls will play a practice game at Canyon Randall on Feb. 12. The time and opponent are not set yet.

Canyon Randall is located between Canyon and Amarillo. Exit Hollywood Road off of Interstate 27 and go east about 1 1/2 miles. Randall will be on the south side of Hol-

Then on Feb. 14, the girls take on Perryton in a practice game at Amarillo Highland Park at 6 p.m.

A shortcut to get to Amarillo Highland Park: Hollywood Road will take you around Amarillo. Go under I-40 and about a mile further is Hwy. 60. Go east on Hwy. 60 to Amarillo Highland Park.

On Feb. 18, the girls play the Area game, possibly at Seminole and either against Iraan or Sonora.

If the girls win, they move on the area finals on Feb. 21

The regional will be held Feb. 25 and 26 at Abilene. The state tournament will be March 2-4 in Austin.

Farwell Boys

The Farwell boys' first practice game will be on Feb. 14 following the girls game at Amarillo Highland Park. The boys will play Happy. For directions, see above.

The boys' second practice game will be on Feb. 19 at Canyon Randall (again, see directions above). The time and opponent are not known

The boys will play their Bi-District game on Feb. 21 or 22 against Plains. The time and place are not set yet.

If the boys win, they advance to Area on Feb. 25 or

This is followed by the Area quarter-finals Feb. 28 or 29, regional on March 3 and 4 at Abilene, and the state tourney in Austin March 9-11.

Lazbuddie Girls

The Lady Longhorns will take on Happy for the district championship at 7 p.m. on Friday (today) at Hereford High.

The two teams ended district play with identical 7-1 re-

The school is located on junior high campus across from the football field.

If Lazbuddie wins, they will play Petersburg. The site and time are not to be set.

If Lazbuddie loses, they will play Smyer, tentatively on Tuesday -- although the time, date and site have not been firmed up yet.

Texico Girls

The Lady Wolverines have jumped off to a 3-0 start in

host the district tournament final game on Feb. 19.

The Lady Wolverines have been winning their games by 40 and 50 points -- and they nabbed their last victory by a cool 60 points -- for Coach Roy King's 400th win.

There's an excellent chance that the Lady Wolverines will improve on last year's record -- when they were the state runnerups!

The varsity girls host Jal on Feb. 11 and Ft. Sumner on Feb. 12, then finish up with an away game at Eunice.

Texico Boys

Kidd retires from 5 Area; Vandevender to be new GM

It was the end of an era at the Five Area Telephone Cooperative annual meeting Saturday in Muleshoe.

The retirement of general manager Hubert Kidd was announced, effective April 1.

Kidd has served in the post for 20 years -- since the cooperative was formed.

His successor will be Sandy Vandevender. After become Five Area's new serving at Eastern New Mexico Rural Telephone Cooperative for 16 years, Vandevender has been the Five Area assistant general manager for the past two years.

During Kidd's tenure, the cooperative has experienced great growth in services and new areas of communication.

Kidd was in the telephone industry for 44 years.

At the meeting, he was honored in different ways.

Board President Kirby Burch presented him with a plaque and a gold watch.

Then Vandevender unveiled another plaque, with Kidd's likeness on it, that will be displayed in the cooperative's community room.

The community room will be renamed the "Hubert H. Kidd Community Room."

In other business at the

Wolverines started off district with a 2-1 record.

Although the Wolverines have an outstanding team, coach Richard Luscombe said there about a dozen teams in their class which can compete well. So it may be a tough road to the state title game for the Wolverines.

Texico hosts Jal on Feb. 11 and Ft. Sumner on Feb. 12, then play at Eunice on Feb. 18 and at Logan (non district) on Feb. 25. The district tourney will be Feb. 22-26.

The Feb. 15 game at Grady has been cancelled.



Sandy Vandevender will general manager in April.

Vandevender talked about a pilot project coming down the road entitled the Digital Subscriber Lind. He said it would tremendously increase the speed of downloading and uploading items on the Internet.

Currently, there are 1,317 Five Area customers on the Internet.

-- Two directors were elected:

Kirby Burch, the incumbent representing the west Lazbuddie area, was picked

over Dave Engelking. Ann Sowder, the incumbent representing the Needmore community, was chosen

over Pud Wiseman. -- Here are some statistics, involving the co-op and its subsidiaries:

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Hubert Kidd, left, general manager of Five Area Telephone Cooperative, receives a special plaque from co-op board president Kirby Burch.



Pictured are Board President Kirby Burch, who serves the West Lazbuddie area, and board Vice President Norris Conklin, who serves the Lariat area.

Five Area

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Plateau Wireless, established in 1990, has 15,233 customers.

Five Area Internet, set up in 1996, has 1,269 customers. Five Area Paging, set up in 1996 also, has 96 customers.

Five Area Long Distance, set up in 1996, serves about 1,966 subscribers.

West Plains Telecommunications, established in 1995, provides modern phone

Payne promoted

Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger announced that Cpl. Keith Payne has been promoted to sergeant.

Payne has been with the sheriff's office since 1997. He will continue to handle the Parmer County canine "Flip",

service to parts of three counties and five exchanges -- Muleshoe, Sudan, Earth, Olton and Springlake -- 5,931 customers.

The overall cooperative, chartered in 1950, serves 1,489 customers in countries through six exchanges --Bula, 933; Lariat, 925; Lazbuddie, 965; Lehman, 525; Maple, 927, and Needmore, 946.

and will also be responsible for criminal investigations at the sheriff's office.

office in Sterling City, Texas.

Obituaries



Irene Stephens

Services for Irene Stephens, 88, of West Camp, were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Farwell with Revs. Rick Sullivan and Richard Laverty officiating.

Burial followed in the Muleshoe Park Cemetery.

She died Feb. 6 at the Farwell Convalescent Center. She was born Nov. 18,

1911, in Polk County, Ark. She had lived in West Camp since 1936.

Loyd She married Stephens in Waldron, Ark. Dec. 24, 1934. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Farwell.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1983.

Surviors include 3 sons, Marlin, of Alaska, Darrell, of Farwell, and Keith, Shallowater; 1 daughter, Karen Wright, of Friona, 1 sister, Pauline Deutser, of Beaumont, Texas; 8 grand-

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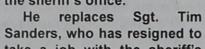
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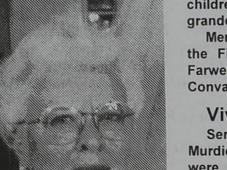
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and children grandchildren. Memorials are to be sent to

the First Baptist Church of Farwell or the Farwell Convalescent Center.

Vivian Murdick

Services for Vivian Murdick, 83, of Vernon, Texas, were held Feb. 3 at Steed-Todd Funeral Home with Rev. Jessie Shaver officiating.

Burial was held in Sunset Cemetery in Albuquerque.

She died Feb. 1 in Vernon. She was born April 6, 1916, in Grady and lived in Vernon for the past 16 years. She married Joseph Murdick in 1936. She was a member of the Methodist Church in Ver-

Survivors include one daughter, Kay Cook of Vernon; two sisters, Silvia Burgett and Joyce Devours, both of Texico; and one granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, in 1968; her parents; and two brothers, Bud and Jerry Mullenax.



Helping sign in guests at the Five Area annual meeting were Margaret Quintana, left, and Paulette

Benefit for Michael Haseloff will be held on Sunday

by Teresa Mesman

A Joyful Heart Valentine Dinner will be taking place this Sunday at the Farwell Community Center to benefit the Michael Haseloff Medical Fund.

The dinner will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 13 and will run through 2 p.m. cst. Homestyle brisket, potato salad, pinto beans, bread and homemade desserts will be served for the cost of a free will donation to be taken at the door.

Michael Haseloff, 47, of Farwell, is a lifelong resident of the community and is suffering from kidney damage and disease. He is on the waiting list for a kidney transplant pending location of a donor. He takes daily dialysis treatments and is also recovering from recent quadruple bypass surgery. The costs involved with his illness, treatments and medications are astronomically high.

Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL), the youth of St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat and the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) are coordinating the benefit

AAL has stepped up to further the benefit by generously offering matching funds for the fundraiser. All monies raised in conjunction with the dinner will be matched by

All persons wishing to make a donation to this benefit or on the day of the benefit are asked to make any checks out to "Aid Association for Lutherans" with the memo line reading "Mike Haseloff Medical Fund." Cash donations are also being included in the matching funds.

AAL actively participates in benefits such as this dinner, to provide financial help to those in need through their "Helping Hands" program.

Michael and his wife Pam, are most appreciative of the support from the community because it makes facing this illness and the waiting for the phone call about a kidney more bearable.

And Mike and Pam are not just waiting by the phone. Pam is the current Farwell Justice of the Peace and Mike does all that he can to help bring in income. He has been doing woodcrafting for the last several months. He has many of his original quilt racks, candle sconces, coat racks and other pieces for sale in the Crafters Mall in Clovis and he hopes to be strong enough to make it to several of the upcoming spring craft shows.

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'Power of the press'

Y'know, folks, if it wasn't for national political campaigns, the big newspapers wouldn't have much to say.

I can't believe all the focus that was given on the New Hampshire primary -- as is always the case, I might add.

This is a very small, insignificant state that the media builds up to be a giant every four years because it is the first primary held.

I always love the broadcasts when the first hamlet's results are reported -- so-andso, 6 votes; the other fella, 4.

Wow! Ten whole votes -and it makes the national radio broadcasts.

So, John McCain beats George W. Bush in the New Hampshire primary. Big deal. The list of candidates who have won that primary and gone nowhere is quite lengthy.

But I read in the morning paper that George W. is in trouble. Yeah, right. I wish I could be in that type of trou-

The fact is that McCain campaigned very vigorously in New Hampshire and Bush didn't. McCain's strategy was obvious and worked well -- to show he could win.

Now let's see that happens in the next several primaries. I predict, and this isn't a hard prediction to make, that Bush will begin sweeping primary after primary. And the New Hampshire results will be quickly forgotten.

Ah, politics.

One area, though, does surprise me. I had thought Bill Bradley would do better than Al Gore -- but that's not what the polls are predicting. So when I forecast a Bush-Bradley race next November, that could be wrong. Yes, I know that Gore had a

strong base, including the National Education Association, the world's most powerful union, but I thought Bradley had more charisma.

Now I'm beginning to think that neither of them has any

By Mike Pomper

That isn't all bad. Remember -- Clinton has lots of cha-

Anyway, I'm really not into the national political scene this year. If you want to know where the action is, you don't have to journey much further than Parmer County.

The faces for county commissioner, county sheriff, and county tax assessorcollector have already gathered full steam.

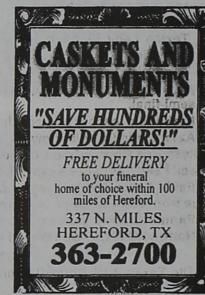
As I've written, folks are going to be in a quandary over which primary to vote in -- Democrat or Republican, on March 14.

Talk about a cross-over vote! This surely is the year for that as voters have their favorite sons to pick in the primaries.

I won't be endorsing any local candidates. That's always been my policy. I just don't think it's right for a small county newspaper to pick favorites (heck, the other guy could win!).

Plus, I don't put much faith in the "power" of newspaper endorsements. When I worked for daily newspapers, we would endorse candidates. And more often than not, they

So much for the "power of the press."



Fire Calls

Farwell firemen were called to a grass fire on Feb. 3 near Lunsford Auto Parts.

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I Coni Jo Lyman, Curry County Clerk, certify the foregoing is a correct canvass of the returns of the Texico Municipal School District No. 2 Election held on February 1, 2000, in Curry County, New Mexico. FOR the School District Bonds

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Lariat Church of Christ Church of Christ 110 Ninth St. Sam Billingsley - minister

Wednesday - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Rev. Mickee Mounce

Wednesday - 8 p.m.

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Worship Service -- 9 a.m.

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

James Koehn - minister

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Church of God in Christ,

Mennonite

Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. winter

8:00 p.m. summer

United Pentecostal

Church of Texico

Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer

8 p.m. winter Hamlin Memorial

United Methodist Church Rev. Kevin Phillips

Sunday School - 10 a.r.i. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.m

St. John Lutheran Oklahoma Lane Church, Lariat Methodist Church

David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.

New Light Baptist Church J.R. Shiner - minister

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt Worship - 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. mt Church training - 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. mt winter

7:30 p.m. mt summer First Baptist Church

of Texico

Bob Brown - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt

Assembly of God Church, Texico Bob Burris - minister

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt

High Plains Baptist Church

Sunday School - 9 a.m. & 6;30 p.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church Texico

Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 -- 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.

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Here's a look at the year in review

Here's a look back at 1999 of the highlights in Parmer County:

January

Grand champions at the Farwell Junior Livestock Show were Luke Schwertner, Clint Patterson, Marni Lunsford and Ashlie Martin.

Billy J. Galvan, 18, of Farwell, was sentenced to prison for his part in the murder of Texico businessman Red Prather. Galvan pled guilty to accessory to armed robbery.

Both Texico varsity basketball teams won their EPAC tournament championships.

Building plans came to a halt in Texico due to a problem in

getting state inspectors to come to the community. All three local school superintendents had their contracts extended -- Farwell's Larry Gregory, Lazbuddie's Hardy Car-

lyle and Texico's R.L. Richards. Lazbuddie stock show grand champions were Shena Seaton, Landon Parham, Melanie Winders, Cade Morris and Tris-

Grand champions at the Parmer County stock show were Cade Morris, Landon Parham, Candace Davis and Triston

February

Parmer County got hit with a heavy snowfall the first week, with estimates of 9 inches on up.

Texico school district voters elected Richard Hadley, and re-elected Deborah Autrey and Buce Mayfield to the school board, and approved a 2-mill levy for capital improvements, technology, vehicles and/or repairs.

All six local varsity basketball teams -- Farwell, Texico and Lazbuddie, earned state playoff berths.

Texico city officials announced a crackdown on animal li-

Former Texico teacher and coach, Randy Ragland, filed a civil suit against the Texico school board and administrators over his firing.

The Parmer County Commissioners approved a tax abatement for Excel Corporation.

Jim Colbert was named interim administrator at the Farwell Convalescent Center.

Sam Garrison retired after 29 years, 7 months service with **Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.**

Named King and Queen at Texico Schools' Homecoming were Kristen Roberts and Shay Norvell.

Grand champions at the Texico Spring Project Show were Zane Drager, Kara Jenkins, Corey Bell and Curtis Williams.

March

Ronald Armstrong, 18, of Farwell was sentenced to prison for his part in the murder of Texico businessman Red Prather. Armstrong pled guilty to conspiracy to armed robbery, and accessory to armed robbery.

The Farwell Steers fell in overtime in the regional qualifier. The Texico Lady Wolverines were Class 2A state runnerup. The Lazbuddie varsity teams lost in their Bi-District matches. The Texico Wolverines finished 4th at state. And the Farwell Lady Blue made their first appearance ever at state, losing in the semi-final.

Lazbuddie teacher and coach Ralph Welker resigned.

AzTx Cattle Co. withdrew its application to the Texas natural Resource Conservation Commission to expand the size of Farwell Feed Yard after a protest by Farwell residents.

Pablo Lucio and Santiago Lucio purchased Hughes True Value from Joe and Gwen Hughes.

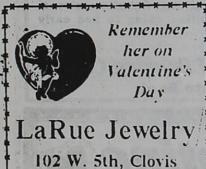
Parmer County growers voted to approve participation in

the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

<u>April</u>

The Texico City Council approved hiring a 4th police officer. At their next meeting, the council hired Rafael Vidal and David Kube as police officers.

Jeff Actkinson was named Border Town Days chairman.



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Jerry Adams was hired as Farwell Convalescent Center administrator.

Teacher Barbara Lust retired at Lazbuddie Schools.

The Farwell School board increased graduation requirements, from 24 to 26 credits.

Farwell's Chamber of Commerce gave awards to: Jimmie Mace, Man of Year; Gloria Hutchins, Woman of Year; Mona Merritt, Teacher of Year; Jerry Monk, Agriculturalist of Year; Ralph Franse, special recognition for his service to the Chamber; and Britney Hunt and Aaron Christian, Students of Year.

Texico's Chamber of Commerce honored Eddie Dunsworth, Man of Year; Allie Burris, Woman of Year; Juanita Hadley, Teacher of Year; Olivia Noblett and Shay Norvell, Students of Year, and gave special recognition to Hal Helton and his mother, Dardanella, for Helton Oil's 50th anniversary.

The Texico City Council voted to keep the municipal pool closed due to financial reasons.

Plans were announced to expand the Farwell Country Club's 9-hole golf course to 18 holes.

May

Tyler Chadwick and Ashley Crawford received Farwell High's top athletic awards.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Helton, and Dardanella Helton, were named Border Town Days honorary parade marshals.

In school board elections, Terry Jesko and Keith Hicks joined the Lazbuddie school board; and Farwell district voters elected Mark Schwertner and re-elected David Norton. Tim Peabody was elected to head the Texico FFA chapter.

Several area residents said they would help with donations or labor to get the Texico municipal pool re-opened, but the council declined.

High school valeditorians were Phil Peabody, Texico; Britney Hunt, Farwell; and Josh Morris, Lazbuddie.

The Farwell city council discussed prohibiting truck parking on city streets.

Top school FFA honors went to: Lazbuddie -- Laramie Wood, Cole St. Clair, Cade Morris, and Shannon Redwine; Farwell -- Angela Billingsley, Cody Schilling, Candace Davis and Kirk Gober; and Texico -- Kyle Mayfield, Jenni Williams, Bobbi Williams, Elizabeth Richards and Phil Peabody.

Shay Norvell, Elizabeth Richards and Jennifer Roberts were named Texico's top athletes.

Josh Morris and Scottie Brown were named Lazbuddie's top athletes.

Britney Hunt received the Loving Cup at Farwell's graduation, symbolizing the top senior. Aaron Christian won the Carlos Nicolas award for outstanding citizenship.

Texico police officer Larry Garrison resigned, and became a deputy sheriff on the Curry County sheriff's department. Texico's city council hired John Mares to replace him.

Phil Peabody and Olivia Noblett were named Mr. and Miss Texico High School.

Sherry Christian was elected president of ESA sorority. Ground-breaking was held for Borderline Cuts, a new bar-

ber shop in Texico, to be operated by Judy Lekovich. Kevin Phillips became the new minister at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church.

Farwell's Charlie Phillips was inducted into the Texas Panhandle Broadcasting Hall of Fame.

Lazbuddie's Montana Steinbock was honored by the

Texas State Soil and Water Conservation District for her outstanding contributions.

Maurine Caywood retired as director of the Texico-Farwell Senior Citizens Center.

Farwell special education teacher Brenda Logan resigned.

New Mexico's first wind-powered commercial electricity producing turbine was built south of Texico.

The Texico City Council began discussions into adding more stop signs.

Ellen Reighley was hired as Texico band director.

July

Brothers Eric Williams, 31, and Barry Williams, 45, of Texico, were killed in a plane crash. Texico held its annual 4th of July celebration.

Texico began annexation procedures for the southern end of town (Avenue F).

The 33rd annual Border Town Days was held.

August

The Lazbuddie School Board learned that its tax situation had improved.

Texico Schools started planning for a new gym and academic learning center.

Farwell and Lazbuddie schools received their "state report cards" -- and both showed major academic increases.

Farwell Police Chief Roy McGaa resigned.

A discussion was held at the Texico City Council over whether the city was considered a "speed trap."

<u>September</u>

Scotty Edwards, of Farwell, received the top horse award at the Parmer County Feedyard Rodeo.

Stateline Drugs in Farwell closed.

Leesa Patterson and Triston Thorn received Parmer County 4-H Gold Star awards.

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies were held for Borderline Cuts and Farwell Manufacturing & Farm Supply.

The Texico City Council tightened its community center guidelines.

American Angus Association members toured the Lazbuddie spread of Tim Lust and Troy Dodd.

Alice Dosher, of Farwell, won the Western Lone Star Ladies Golf Association Tournament.

Texico Elementary School was cited by the state as a "high improving school."

Crowned Farwell Homecoming King and Queen were Clint Corn and Ashley Crawford.

Farwell Schools gave a special award to Jesse Cantu, who retired after 24 years as school custodian the previous sum-October

Farwell band director Verne Jacoby resigned. Joyce Ketcherside was named to be president of Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

It was announced that Riddle Rx drug store would open in Farwell.

The Texico School Board hired a construction manager for its planning building program.

The Texico City Council approved more stop signs.

Elected Texico Homecoming King and Queen were Tim Peabody and Bobbi Williams.

The new Parmer County Cotton Growers Cooperative gin (Continued from Page 4)

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger:

On Feb. 6, Victor Tafoya, 26, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On Feb. 6, Jose Portillo, 28, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI felony. The case is pending before the grand

Farwell

Monday - no school. Tuesday - no school.

Wednesday - Pizza, tossed salad, green beans, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk.

Thursday - Chicken nug-

gets w/gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, hot rolls/butter, peach halves, milk. Friday - Sliced turkey and

cheese sandwich, lettuce leaf, chips, sliced pickles, fruit salad, brownie, milk.

Texico

Monday - Nachos/chili cheese, chili beans, salad, pineapple upside down cake,

Tuesday - Chicken patmashed potatoes w/gravy, salad, hot rolls, fruit, milk. Wednesday - Spaghetti

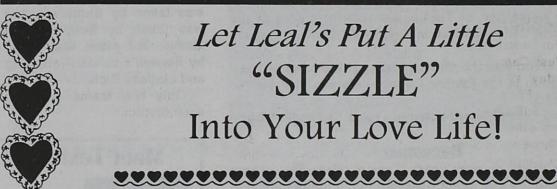
w/meat sauce, parmasen cheese, green beans, garlic bread, fruit, milk. Thursday - Hamburger or

chicken patty on a bun, french fries, lettuce/pickles,

fruit, milk. Friday - Hot ham and cheese sub, tater tots, pickle spears, cookie, milk.

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Farwell students who have successfully completed the Reading Recovery program are, from left, including teachers: Lauryn Meyer, Kim Cates, Angel Navarrete, Twila Klingensmith, and Heinich Loeppky.

'Reading Recovery'

Reading Recovery is a program designed to give a child one on one instruction and support during the journey toward becoming an independent reader and writer.

Its purpose is to help a child develop a variety of strategies which can be called upon when needed and which help the child to become a better reader each time he/she reads and a better writer each time he/she writes.

Reading Recovery represents a partnership - a concentrated, continuous united effort in which teachers, administrators, and parents work together to enable students who need additional literacy support to become more fluent readers and

Farwell School's Reading Recorvery teachers Twila Klingensmith and Kim Cates work with their students every day on an individualized basis. Each student gets specialized and individualized instruction, 30 minutes each day, based on the specific needs of the student. This program is a short-term program, lasting from 16-20 weeks.

Once a student can read grade-level text and can effectively use the reading strategies, he/she is discontinued from the program. The Reading Recovery students are expected to continue to make progress with the average reading group in the classroom.

Year in review

(Continued from Page 3)

held an open house.

Michael Treadway, of Farwell, pled guilty in the murder of Texico businessman Red Prather. He pled guilty to felony first degree murder, armed robbery, and conspiracy to commit murder. A Roosevelt County jury sentenced him to die.

Robert Achterberg was named as Farwell's new police chief.

Farwell Manufacturing & Farm Supply introduced a new "leaf saver" hav slicer.

Doris Herington announced she would not seek reelection as Parmer County tax assessor-collector after 12 years in the job.

November

Lazbuddie High placed 1st for best team and 3rd for robot in the reigonal robotics competition in Lubbock.

The Texico City Council purchased new cemetery markers. Mickee Mounce became the new minister of the United Pentecostal Church in Texico.

Langford Herefords, of Texico, won major honors at the American Royal Cenennial National Hereford Show in Kansas

Jack Patterson was the guest speaker at the annual Veterans Day program at the Parmer County Veterans Memorial in Farwell city park.

The Texico School Board voted to seek a \$1.5 million bond issue.

<u>December</u>

With four posts on next year's Texico city ballot -- three councilmen and the city judge -- all four incumbents indicated they tentatively planned to seek re-election. The councilmen are Dean Henninger, Rick Queener and Eddie Dunsworth and the judge is George Herrington.

Parmer County cotton producer Troy Christian was named 1999 Farmer/Rancher of the Year during the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show.

It was announced that New Mexico planned to reconstruct

Highway 60-70-84 in Texico to five lanes.

Candidates began announcing for Parmer County political offices, with contests shaping up in the Parmer County tax assessor-collector's race and the Pct. 3 (Farwell area) county commissioner's race.

Courthouse Notes

The following warranty deeds were recorded in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

Douglas Gonsor - Jerry Parker, NW 1/4, SE 1/4, S18 Kelly

Helen Estlack - Farwell Abstract Co. Inc., SW 1/4, 512 Tas; RIE SYND.

Dixie Jones - Farwell Abstract Co. Inc., SW 1/4, 512 Tas; RIE

Sharon K. Strawn - Farwell Abstract Co. Inc., SW 1/4, 512 Tas: RIE SYND.

Farwell Abstract Co. Inc. - Roy Hartzog, SW 1/4, 512 Tas; RIE SYND.

Bert Williams - Kendall Devault, NW 14, S17, T165, RIE, Cap. George A. Nichols - Robert Martin, Pt of S8, T165, RIE, Cap. Robert Martin - George A. Nichols, Pt. of S8, T165, RIE, Cap. Robert Martin - Kendall Devault, L11-14, S5; L3-6, S8, T165

Ethel Mae Johnson - Billy R. Johnson, NE1/4, S24, T10S; R2E Synd Pt LDT 2 and 3 Bl Ridgeleon.



Johnson wins drawing

Scott Johnson, who grows 1,100 acres of corn in Parmer County, recently won 300 hours' use of a 200-hp Case IH Magnum MX tractor as part of a joint promotion by Novartis Crop Protection and the Case dealer in Dumas, Texas. He entered the drawing at chemical dealer Terra in Bovina.

Farwell's Schilling, Meeks advance to state contest

Cody Schilling and Lacey

in Farwell in Jan. 29 with 7 Hudson and Bill Bizzell and Lindsey Rich.

Only two teams go from each district.

Assisting Meeks, the Farwell High coaches, and hospitality were cross-examination team, are Lucille Franse, Patsy Camp, advancing to the state com- Dorris White, Karen Risher, petition in Austin on March Roberta Johnson, Brenda Williams, Riddle, Joyce The district meet was held Sabina Schilling,

teams competing. 1st place The Farwell teams have was taken by Sundown, 2nd participated at large tournawas taken by Schilling and ment in Painview, Friona, Meeks, 3rd place was taken Hereford, and a mini meet by Farwell's Linda Armstrong with Nazareth here to prepare for this competition.

> The puts Farwell 28 points into the Spring sweepstakes.

Meet Texico's Class of 2012



Kenneth Betts is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is April 7.

Parents are L.D. and Lorie Betts. He has two sisters, Tessie Smith and Kendra Betts. Grandparents are Fred and Dorothy Smith, and Isadora Gooden.

He likes to collect men, and hammer on things. He enjoys fish with hot sauce. His favorite color is blue. There's nothing he dislikes.

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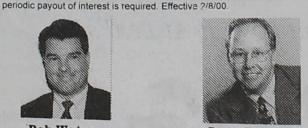
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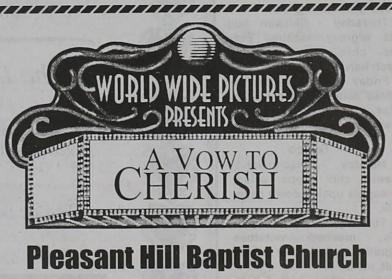


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'Vegetable retail consolidation coming'

Retail consolidation in the vegetable industry is scary, but inevitable, said John McClung, president of the Texas Citrus and Vegetable Association, at the recent West Texas Vegetable Conference here.

"Consolidation is intimidating - to grower, shippres and packers - but it is an inescapable part of doing business in the future," McClung said. "Even so, we do have some choices as we face consolidation.

"We can form strategic alliances to boost our market reach. We can continue to find and capitalize on niche markets. Or we can simply go out of business."

McClung said the USDA's Economic Research Service is now conducting a study of retail practices and methods in the vegetable industry.

The results of that study could provide growers, shippers and packers valuable insight as they decide how consolidation will affect their operations.

"I think one conclusion of that study will be that suppliers are going to continue to face sometimes burdensome food safety-quality requirements. We may even see a third-party certification requirement. "In the future, a third agency or party may be responsible

for certifying that our produce meets consumer food safety and quality parimeters," he added. "The government won't take on that burden - it probably will fal on the supply side of the industry. "We also are facing new technology requirements as

produce suppliers. As retail firms (buyers) continue to consolidate, merge and grow larger, they will expect us to be in synch with the technology they use in product tracking, identification and pricing.

"Consolidation within our own ranks should give the Texas produce an edge in meeting this technology requirement together, we have the resources at hand to make it work."

Even though productivity and acerage of the Texas produce industry has shrunk in recent years, McClung said there is good news on the horizon.

"Consumption of fresh fruit, vegetables and produces is at an all time high, and should continue to grow. People are consuming more produce and that's not going to change," he said. "Our challenge is to keep our industry alive and vital so we can fill that need.

"Our best shot is strategic alliances that synch with consolidation on the buyers' side. They will need us to supply them with a consistent, high quality product almost yearround.

"We can do that, and meet consumers' growing taste for our produce, if our alliances are intelligent, flexible and technologically sound. We still have tremendous potential for growth through our future alliances."



Meet Farwell's Class of 2012



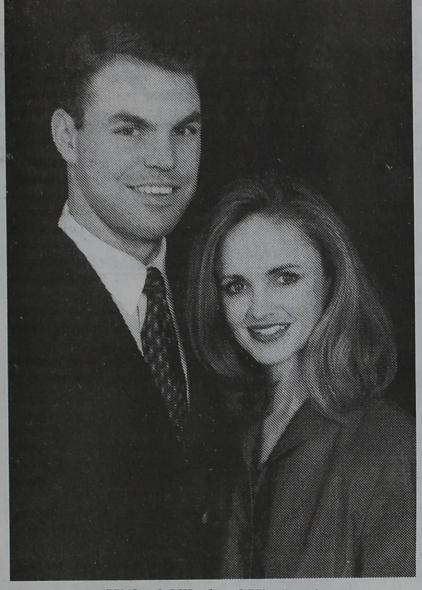
Adreanna Marie Blakes is a kindergartener at Farwell Elementary. birthday is August 24. She is the daughter of Laura Blakes,

and is the granddaughter of Eusebio and Stella Vidana, and Mary Blakes She enjoys riding her bike and riding

her horse. Her favorite food is bologna sandwiches and her favorite color is pink. She dislikes going to bed early and working.

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Michael O'Neal and Mia Jennings

Engagement told

Joe Bryan and Marsella Jennings, of Lazbuddie, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mia Marcel, to Michael Ray O'Neal, son of Don and Elizabeth O'Neal, of Colleyville, Texas.

Mia is the granddaughter of Joe Bates and Cora Belle Jennings, of Muleshoe, and J.T. and Mary Ann Mayfield, of Lazbuddie. Mike is the grandson of Ray and Tommie O'Neal, of Hurst, Texas.

Mia is a graduate of Lazbuddie High School and graduated from Baylor University with a bachelor's degree in accounting. Mike is a graduate of Trinity High School in Euless, Texas, and graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor's degree in economics.

Mia is employed as a certified public accountant with Ernst & Young LLP, of Dallas. Mike is employed as a regional fleet manager with Nations Rent.

The couple plans to marry on March 18 at Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas at noon.

Lady 'Horns tie for district title

Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Lady Long- trict and 4-22 overall. horns and Happy finished in a tie for first place in district.

They will have their playoff on Friday (see story on Page 1 for details).

On Tuesday, Lazbuddie took care of business by beating Cotton Center, 53-32.

Laura Jo Via came up big for the Lady 'Horns by scoring 23 points.

Lazbuddie finished the regular season at 20-7 overall and 7-1 in district.

Last Friday, Lazbuddie put away Spade in a home game,

57-12. Spade only scored 2 points apiece in each of the first

three quarters. led Scottie Brown Lazbuddie with 12 markers.

Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns lost their season finale to Cotton Center on Tuesday, 79-69.

Detour time

Brian Graig, head of construction for the New Mexico highway project, stopped in at the Tribune and informed us that they will be doing detour paving on the westbound traffic side of the highway.

Lazbuddie went 1-7 in dis-

Bryce Ronek had 27 points for the Longhorns in the final game. Jeffery Seaton had 13 and Laramie Wood added 10.

The game was closer than the score indicated with Lazbuddie only down by two going into the last period.

Friday, Lazbuddie On edged Spade, 63-60, for their

Longhorns getting the edge.

only district victory. The game was tied going into the final period, with the

Ronek had 25 points, with Seaton adding 15 and Tyler Gartin having 11.

Is Monica ready for Broadway?

by Monica Cantu

Ever since I was little I've always had a knack for acting. Whether it was in my room at home pretending that I was someone else or hanging around with my friends trying to embarrass them.

It's been only recently that I have gotten really involved in theatre and I've even thought about minoring in it when I leave for Las Cruces (New Mexico State University) in

My first taste of theatre was when Mrs. Leighton taught the only drama class at Texico when I was in about 7th grade. And I would have to say that was forever ago... maybe 1992 or 1993. Of course I'm not that old but it sure seems like it!

Even then, I knew that it was something that I enjoyed doing to the extreme. Then, as circumstances would have it, the school didn't offer any more theatre classes (which, by the way, I think that policy should be changed) and the intent to pursue acting seriously dwindled away.

My freshman year of high school, 1994, proved to be very eventful. I went before the school board and requested a choir to be started. Needless to say, it happened and even though it lasted just one semester, I had a blast and it revived my love for the arts. We performed "Live it to the Max," a Christian musical with a good plot about how to be good Christians and practice instead of preach the word of

Then, my junior year of high school, I participated in the play, "Murder Mystery Weekend," in which I played an older woman who with her husband owned a lodge in the woods and rented rooms out to guests. The plot of the play, however, was that a murder was to take place and the guests had to figure out who the culprits were. The murder never actually took place, though the actors playing actors made it seem that way.

All in all I had a lot of fun doing it. But I believe my undoing is due to my acting instructor, Christy Mendoza, the drama instructor at Clovis Community College. It was on a whim that I decided to take beginning acting my first semester. And I have never regretted it.

That first semester, Christy kept pushing for me to do my best. And even though I thought that I WAS doing my best, she always found ways to increase my ability to act.

And to this day, I am still learning what it takes to become a serious actress. And as I said before I am considering on minoring in theatre arts.

Last summer, I was in the Llano Estacado Players western version of "Romeo and Juliet" in which I played Juliet's Hispanic nurse. The Llano Estacado players are participating individuals that audition and get roles in the upcoming play for the summer. They perform one play a year -- usually the last couple of days in July and the first day in August.

I was very fortunate. I got to work with an excellent array of actors on different levels of acting. There was one person in particular that I got to work with regularly and I must say that acting with her improved my abilities. She played the role of Juliet (Jennifer Metzker), and she was just too

It seemed to me that she should be performing at Strat-

Lazbuddie's districts change

Lazbuddie Schools will be staying in the same district for football and basketball, but there will be changes.

Lazbuddie's district will

look like this: Football -- Amherst, Cotton Center, Three-Way, and Whi-

harral. Basketball -- Amherst, Cot-Center, Three-Way,

Whitharral and Spade. The Lazbuddie football team will remain in the 3-A district, while the basketball team will remain in district 11-

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The other changes that were made was that in football, Silverton is not in the same district anymore.

Also in basketball, Happy has been moved to another district.

ford on Avon or sometning.

And it was she, that told me that she believed the "theatre bug" had bitten me... and you know what?

I think she's right.

Anyway, this summer is again going to prove hectic for me. The Llano Estacado Players along with Clovis Community College are going to be presenting a musical. I am already knawing at the bit to get on stage again.

Well, hopefully the advanced acting class that I am taking this spring can show me something new and maybe even curb my excitment at the thought of getting on stage again. That, in itself, is so surreal. When you get on stage, it's like if you've escaped into another world entirely. There's

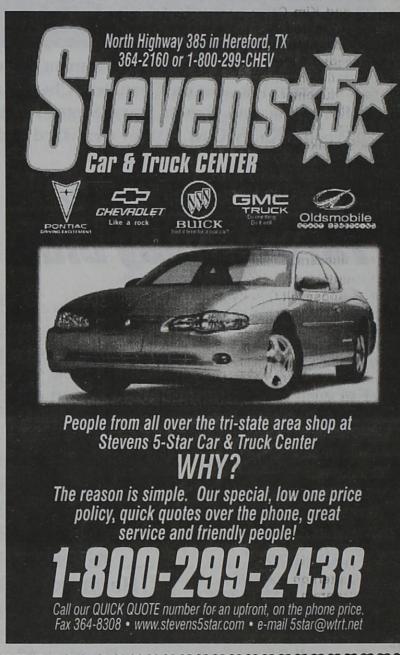
that first sense of nervousness at the beginning on opening night. But as soon as you get into your character and lose yourself in the magic that is theatre the feeling can't compare. Well maybe it can... but I haven't found anything to compare it to. It's such a rush when you know that someone is watch-

ing you perform and you know that you have to be utterly believable -- if you want to captivate their attention and keep it focused. It's an undescribable feeling. So truly I cannot wait until I am able to get on stage again. And this summer I'm going to fully embarrass myself

and probably make you run from the theatre screaming with my vocal antics. Because as I said, "it's a musical." I promise you this though, this summer's performance by the Llano Estacado Players is going to be excellent and I

encourage anyone and everyone who even remotely appreciates theatre to come and watch us perform this summer.

Who knows... I might make it to Broadway or maybe even the big screen?





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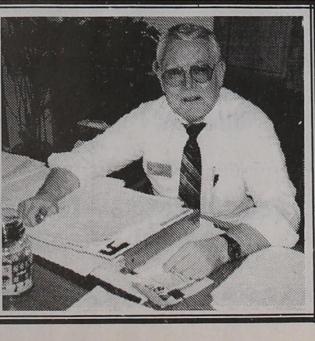
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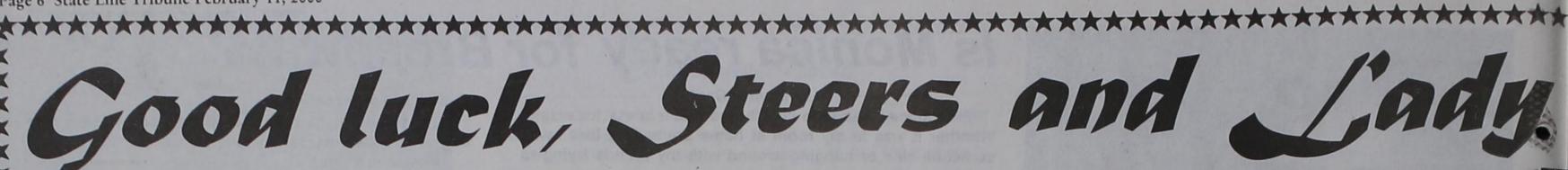
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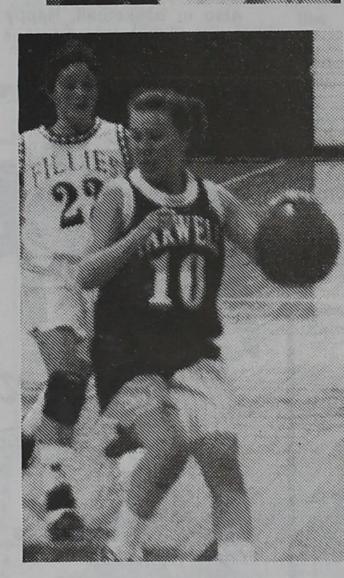


The 1999-2000 District Champion Farwell Lady Blue include, top row from left, Jessica Chandler, Chelsi Kaltwasser, Nicole Stout, Lisa Herington and Coach Steve Scott; front row, Megan Miller, Kinzi Woods, Kacey Gast, Ashley Crawford and Marni Lunsford.

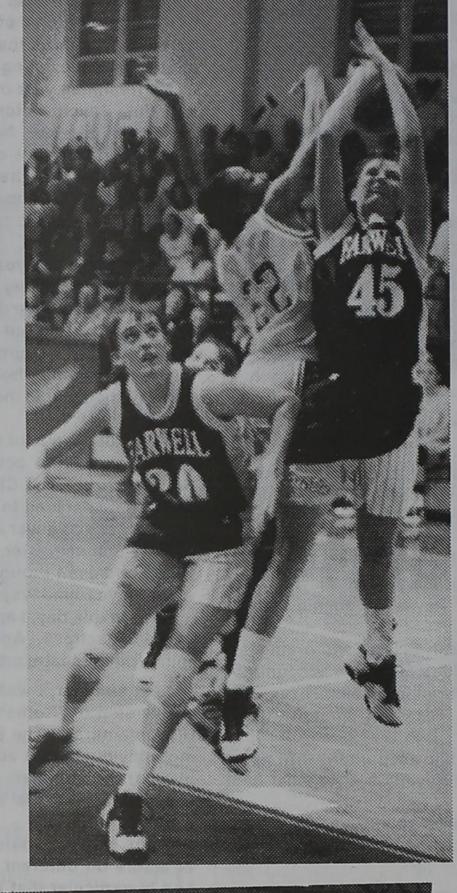
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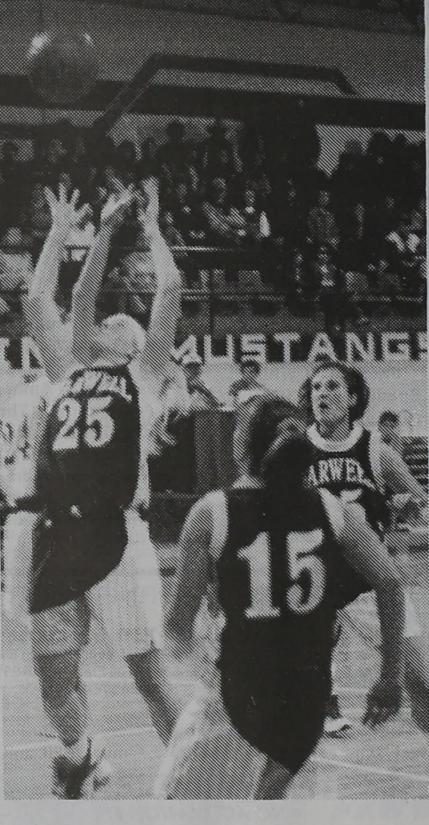
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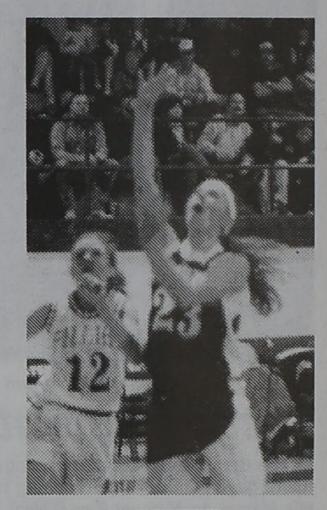


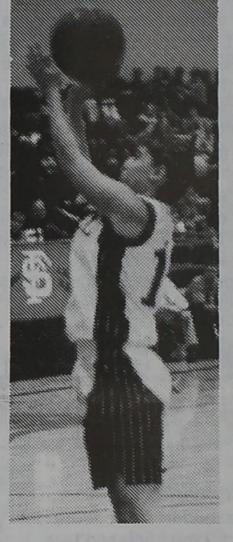


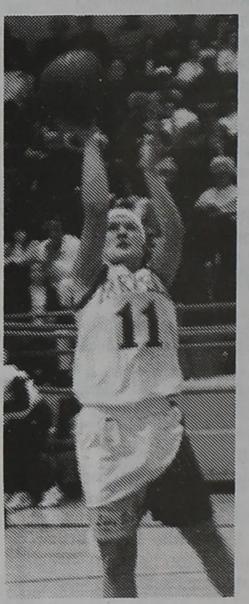












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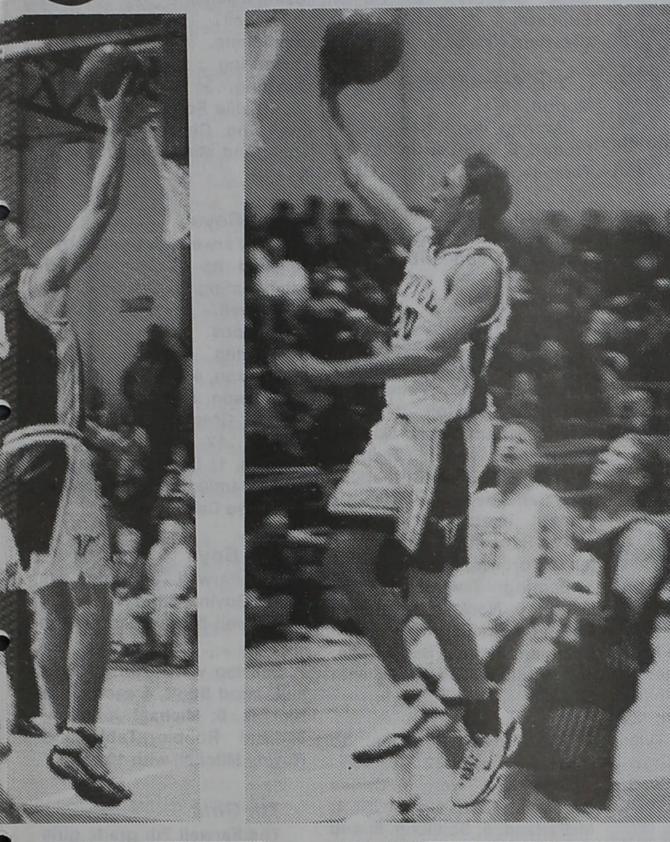
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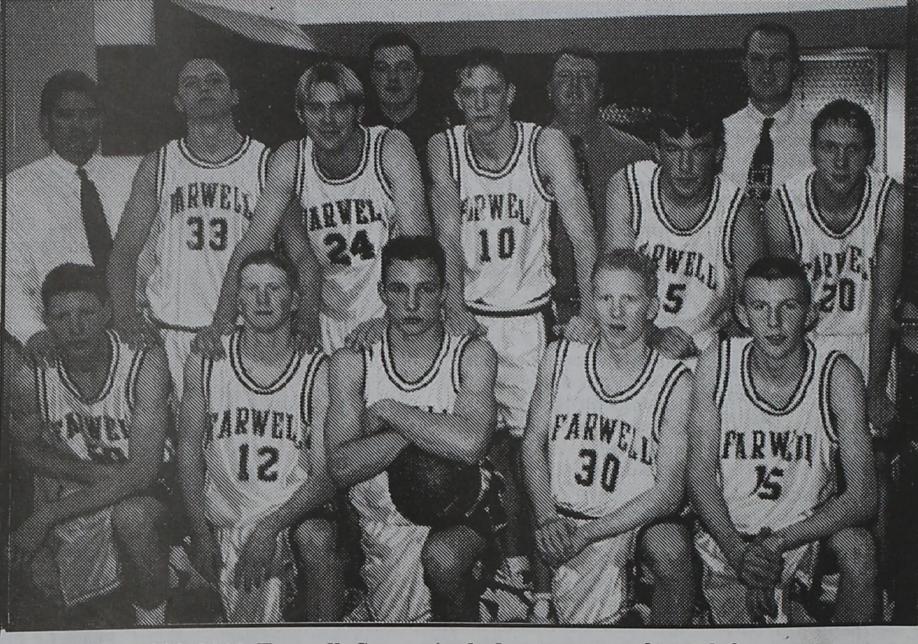
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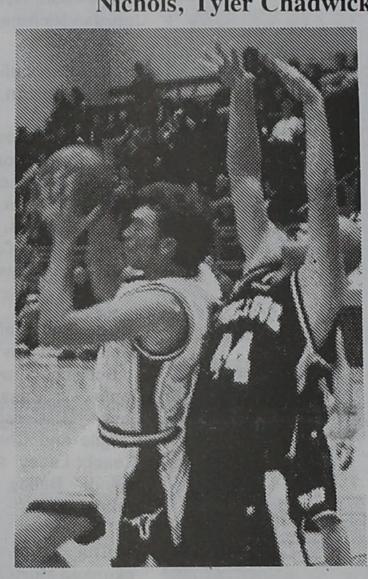


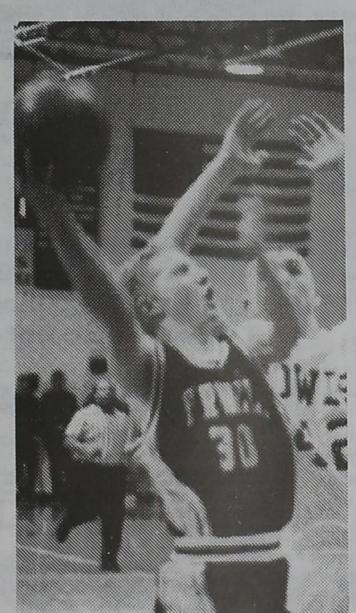


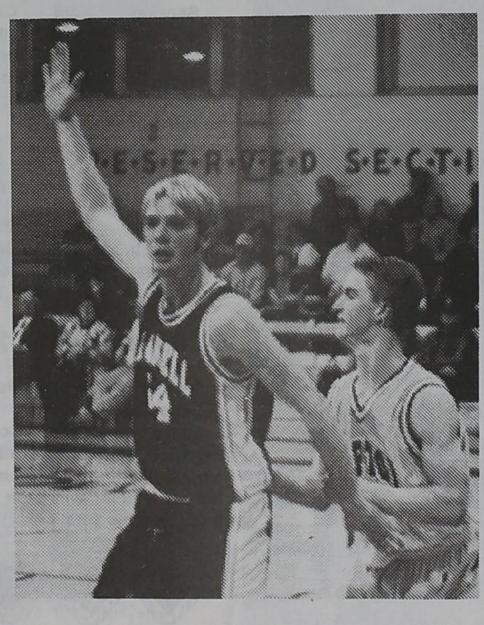
The 1999-2000 Farwell Steers include, top row from left, coaches Brent Terry, Shawn Haseloff, Kirk Saul (head coach) and Jacob Thompson; middle row, Clint Corn, Ryan Roberts, Shane Roberts, Jason Crawford and Derek Goettsch; front row, Paul Franse, Taylor Nichols, Tyler Chadwick, Jourdan Nichols and Tucker Crawford.











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Lady Wolverines roll on

Varsity Boys

The Texico Wolverines fell to Jal, 83-81, on Friday.

Scoring were Burford, 3; Chris Hall, 12; Shelton Conwright, 19; Justin Foust, 1; Johnny Sena, 18; Josh Boazman, 4; and Justin Steward with 24.

On Saturday, Wolverines beat down Eunice, 66-44.

The Wolverines are now 15-4 overall and 2-1 in district.

Scoring were Burford and Steward, 16 each; Ryan Autrey, Johnny Sena, and Josh Boazman, 2 each; Chris Hall, 4; Shelton Conwright, 14; Mike Rivera, 1; Justin Foust, 3; and Jacob AlderseBaes with 6.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines are now 18-2 overall and 3-0 in district.

The varsity girls seem to be winning all their games by lopsided scores. Their athleticism and depth are burying other teams' hopes.

The Lady Wolverines defeated Jal, 90-44, on Friday.

Scoring were Bobbi Williams, 10; Jennifer Roberts, 12; Elizabeth Richards, 22; Callie Rucker and Carrie Phipps, 2 each; Kristen Roberts, 19; LaMicah Drager and Krysta Morris, 6 each; Shayna Lewis, 7; and Kara Jenkins

The Texico varsity girls killed Eunice, 104-44, on Sat-

Scoring were Bobbi Wil- defeated Eunice, 67-38.

liams, 11; Jennifer Roberts, 18; Richards, 26; Rucker, 8; Kristen Roberts, 20; Morris, 3; Shayna Lewis, 2; Jenkins, 7; Drager, 4; and Phipps with 5.

Leading were Elizabeth Richards with 13 steals and 6 rebounds. Kristen Roberts also had 6 rebounds.

JV Girls

The Texico JV Lady Wolverines crushed Jal. 78-26.

They are now 20-1.

Scoring were Jayia Walls and Jenni Williams, 4 each; Nicole Richards, Barbara Queener, Dru Mayfield and Callie Rucker, 6 each; Kelsi Cain, 14; Tara Lockmiller, 8; Carrie Phipps, 7; and Kara Jenkins with 17.

Leading were Nicole Richards with 7 steals and Jenni Williams with 6.

The Texico JV girls topped Eunice, 56-40.

Scoring were Carrie Rucker, 6; Walls, Rucker, Cain, Jenkins, and Tori Bradley, 4 each; Richards, 7; Williams, 3; Phipps, 16; Mayfield and Shilo Thornton, 2 each.

Leading was Tori Bradley with 11 steals.

JV Boys

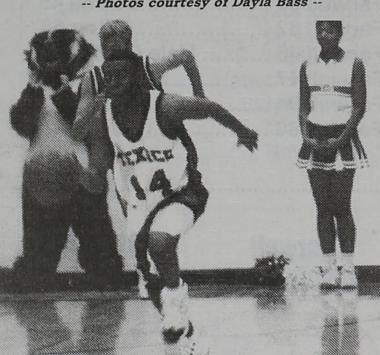
The Texico JV Wolverines defeated Jal, 53-37.

Scoring were Marcos Loera, 13; Adrian Loera, 12; Tanner Williams, 10; Shane Mayfield, 2; Kyle Duncan, 9; and Jake Williams with 7.

The Texico JV boys also



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Lady Blue win district

Varsity Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue are the district champions with a record of 10-0 and 24-4 overall after defeating Bovina, 65-32.

Scoring were Ashley Crawford, 19; Megan Miller, 11; Kacey Gast, 7; Lisa Herington, 4; Nicole Stout, Jessica Chandler, and Kinzi Woods with 8 each.

Scoring were Maros Loera,

10; Adrian Loera, 4; Tyrell

Garrett, Marc Foust, Kody

Vaughan, Mayfield, and Josh

Steward, 2 each; Tanner

Williams, 21; Jake Williams,

17; and Duncan with 5.

The Farwell Lady Blue killed Morton, 83-26, on Fri-

Scoring were Ashley Crawford, 19; Megan Miller, 18; Kacey Gast, 2; Nicole Stout and Marni Lunsford, 9 each; Chelsi Kaltwasser and Kinzi Woods, 10 each; Jessica Chandler, 1; and Lisa Herington with 5.

Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers finished the regular season with a superb 23-4 record, and 8-2 in district, after beating Bovina, 80-71, on Tuesday there.

The varsity boys will play Plains for Bi-District. The time and place are to determined.

Scoring were Shane Roberts and Clint Corn, 21 each; Derek Goettsch, 9; Tyler Chadwick and Jason Crawford, 4 each; Ryan Roberts, 8; Jourdan Nichols, 13.

The Farwell Steers destroyed Morton, 94-40, on Fri-

Scoring were Shane Roberts, 5; Taylor Nichols, 1; Derek Goettsch and Paul Franse, 6; Tyler Chadwick, 12; Ryan Roberts, 18; Jourdan Nichols, 11; Clint Corn, 27; and Jason Crawford with 8.

JV Girls

The Farwell JV girls demolished Bovina, 61-25.

Scoring were Ashley Joplin, 2; Cassie Street, 18; Leesa Patterson, 3; Tara Cargile and Chrystal Wolven, 6 each; Lacey Actkinson, 12; Brandi Bailey, 10; Kenzie Gabriel, 4.

The Farwell JV skunked Morton, 51-9.

Scoring were Street, 14; Leesa Patterson, 5; Tara Cargile, 18; Chrystal Wolven, Lacey Actkinson, and Kenzie Gabriel, 2 each; and Brandi Bailey, 8.

JV Boys

The Farwell JV topped Bovina, 58-34.

Scoring were Kolby Kimbrough, 11; Manuel Garcia and Fidel Ruiz, 8 each; Brandon Sanchez and Tyler

A ventriloquist?

It's a bit early for this announcement, but...

When the Bailey County Electric Cooperative holds its annual meeting in September, the entertainer will be a ventriloquist this year.

Scott, 2 each; Thomas Ortiz and Cody Schilling, 4 each; high career at 30-0 -- never Gage Gregory, 10; Gaylen losing a game. Sudderth, 3; and Cade Christian with 6.

Morton, 56-44.

brough, 6; Manuel Garcia, 14; each; and Mindi Roberts with Thomas Ortiz, 5; Gage Gregory, 11; Kris Norton and Cade Christian, 4 each; Fidel Ruiz and Cody Schilling, 2 each; and Gaylen Sudderth with 8.

9th Boys

The Farwell 9th grade boys defeated Whiteface, 55-37.

Scoring were Carlos Garcia, 6; Randy Armstrong and Brody Norton, 3 each; **Lonnie McFarland and Gabriel** Garcia, 4 each; Zachary Schilling, 15; Josh Curtis, 13; Juan Sanchez, 7.

The Farwell 9th grade boys fell to Portales, 74-42.

Scoring were Carlos Garcia, 6; Norton, McFarland, Gabriel Garcia, and Jered Coleman, 2 each; Sanchez, 4; and Schilling and Curtis with 12 each.

The Farwell 9th lost to Clovis Yucca, 72-32.

Scoring were Carlos Garcia, 12; Norton, 4; McFarland, 5; Schilling, 8; and Curtis with 3.

8th Girls

The Farwell 8th grade girls ended their season at 16-0 after slaughtering Bovina, 54-4, on Monday.

The team finished its junior

Farwell champions.

Tara Scoring were The Farwell boys topped Schilling, 3; Hailey Grimes, 19; Khallie Foster, 16; Jaimie Scoring were Kolby Kim- Diaz and Chelsea Meyer, 6

8th Boys

The Farwell 8th grade boys finished its season at 15-1 after beating Bovina, 45-27.

district Farwell was champions.

Scoring Cale Stevenson, 4; Jason Sudderth and Jason Johnson, 3 each; Grant Gregory and Tyler Myers, 12 each; Anthony Herrera, 1; Daniel Kaltwasser and Jeremie Chandler, 2 each; and Jose Cabello with 6.

7th Boys

The Farwell 7th grade boys fell to Bovina, 38-37.

Farwell finished its season

Scoring were Chris Culver and Jarod Scott, 4 each; Tate Nichols, 6; Michael Johnson, 3; and Robbie Tabb and

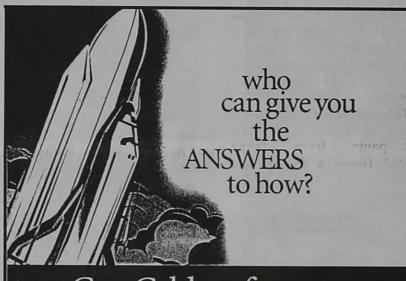
7th Girls

The Farwell 7th grade girls topped Bovina, 23-21.

Rowdy Mitchell with 10 each.

Farwell finished its season at 8-6.

Scoring were Danielle Cargile, 6; Jordon Carpenter, 8; and Lindsay Vandiver with



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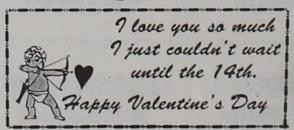
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The Latest

Members of the Farwell High Powerlifting team placed well in the powerlifting meet.

Brice Hunt placed 4th in his weight class.

Sergio Vasquez placed 5th in his weight class.

And Michael Hernandez placed 6th in his weight class. Also participating were Eulogio Ruiz, Curt Christian, Hernandez Jeremy Landon Meeks.

Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterburg reports he is now certified and is "on the job."

tary School Principal Diane Center, Olton and Lockney. Cooper, who died last week, the Texico Wolverines and Lady Wolverines wore black armbands in their games against Eunice on Saturday.

County residents begins on Earth. Feb. 28 and ends on March

Voting can be done weekdays at the county clerk's office at the Farwell courthouse.

bank in Bovina.

And early voting will be held at the Friona State Bank new farm program, he said. on Feb. 29, March 2, 7 and 9.

Farwell Junior High is being recognised by the Texas Education Agency as a Title I distinguished school.

They will be honored at the Spring Conference in April.

to meet the Exemplary standard for the 1998-99 school year and the Exemplary or Recognized standard for the him. previous two years.

This conference provides a forum for more than 1,200 participants from Texas school Districts to discuss

effective programs and school practices that meet the strengths and needs of all students.

Word has been received of the death of Bill Whitesides' sister, Nora of Odessa.

Word has been received of the death of Bonnie Tupy of Minnesota, the aunt of Brad Hampton.

In last week's UIL announcements, Friona Schools have dropped from Class 3A to Class 2A.

Friona had 3 students less than the 3A minimum and opted not to ask to stay in 3A. Its district will now include

In honor of Texico Elemen- Abernathy, Floydada, Hale Also, Bovina Schools fell

from Class 2A to Class 1A, after being in 2A for the past four years. Bovina's basketball district

will include Farwell, Hart, Early voting for Parmer Kress, Sudan and Springlake-

Its football district will be Farwell, Springlake-Earth, Anton, Sudan and Whiteface.

Cong. Larry Combest said Also, early voting can oc- he plans a series of hearings cur on March 3 and 10 at the in the district pertaining to the 1995 "Freedom to Farm Act."

The hearings will help set a

Combest's district includes Parmer County.

Combest is the House of Representatives Ag Committee chairman.

Scott Nelson, the manager Association for Compensa- of the Caprock Industries feed tory Educators of Texas yard near Bovina, has been sent by the company to Aus-A distinguished school has tralia for, perhaps, six months, to help one of the company's feed yards there.

His family has gone with

The First Baptist Church of Farwell will have a "pounding: for its new youth minister, Gerald Bastin, and his family

on Feb. 20.

A fellowship meal will be included, following morning service.

Talk about having fun on the basketball court:

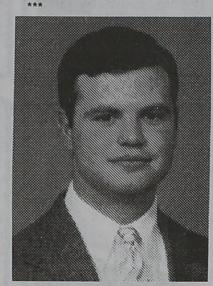
If you saw the Farwell Lady Blue play Morton last Friday, you got to watch Ashley Crawford make a successful "alley oop" pass to Megan Miller.

The result? Two points -and quite a nifty play.

About the only thing that could top it would be a halfcourt throw at the bucket to end a game.

And, yep, that's what Jourdan Nichols pulled off in the boy's varsity game as the buzzer went off -- and the swish was heard.

With the death of Texico Elementary School Principal Diane Cooper, her duties will be handled for the time being by Supt. Dr. R.L. Richards.



Haseloff graduates

Brian Haseloff graduated from Texas Tech University with a PH.D. in biology Dec. 18. He is a second year medical student at Texas Tech. He graduated from Farwell High in 1989 and has been attending college to become a doctor. He will be moving to Amarillo in July continue his education and will be working in a hos-

Farwell 8th grade boys go 15-1

The Farwell 8th grade Boys had a sparkling 15-1 record in basketball this season. Pictured, top row from left, Jeremie Chandler, Daniel Kaltwasser, Tyler Myers, Grant Gregory, Jose Cabello, coach Jacob Thompson; front row, Bobby Garcia, Jason Johnson, Cale Stevenson, Anthony Herrera, Michael Culver and Jason Sudderth.



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More housing coming to Texico?

The Texico City Council met Tuesday to hear Sandra Hidalgo and Ruby Goforth speak on behalf of Eastern Plains Housing Development Corporation (EPHDC).

The idea is to build good quality housing and rent them at an affordable price.

Ms. Hidalgo discussed the possibility of constructing and renting up to 10 of these units in the Texico area.

There is still a question as to whether or not they will have enough property to build

Texico Schools okay calendar

The Texico School Board on Tuesday adopted a calendar for the coming school

Changes include: a day off during the Eastern New Mexico - Roswell stock show; spring break will coincide with surrounding schools; and Memorial Day will be a day off.

In other business, the boardL

-- Received a request from school nurse Karen Stevenson to have her son attend Texico Schools. No action was taken.

-- Noted that Sarah Lombrana, Chapter 1 teacher, had resigned, effective at the end of the current school year.

-- Discussed the state legislature's 3 main issues: money to put into education, mandated teacher salaries and capital outlays.

Local legislators are seeking another \$300,000 for Texico Schools toward its new gym construction. This would be added to the \$1.5 million bond issue that passed last week.

-- Was told that high school students are currently taking state competency exams, with state writing assessment tests on tap.

-- Learned that the Wall of Honor, which praises students for non-athletic successes, is still being worked on. It has been set up in the foyer at the gym.

the 10 units.

inquire if these units can be SO's bid was higher. built on separate lots of land.

find lots for EPHDC if Ms. hot mix that is put on the Hidalgo gets the okay to build street to seal the cracks. on separate lots.

council:

- Discussed the lay-down was redone to allow access to Joyce get the trash.

The council was supposed to take bids and then put in Fire Chief Lewis Cooper to the lay-down curb, but it had contact SPS to put 2 lights already been done.

So far, they have only received one bid.

it will be on the agenda for the for the tankers. next meeting.

Autrey up to 60 days to bring says that if satisfied they will mobile home compliance or remove it from the lot at 508 Rose Street.

- Heard city clerk Teresa Harth speak about the new numerous occasions that the program being used for the fire department has been water.

Mrs. Harth asked for her assistant, Glenda Mosier, to be sent to Melrose so that she will become familiar with the program.

- Agreed to purchase The council agreed to let crossing signs from Econo Ms. Hidalgo and Ms. Goforth only after confirming that SA-

- Discussed slurry sealing The council agreed to help the streets in Texico. This is a

The council has not yet In other business the decided which streets are to be next for the project.

-- Noted that the election curb on highway 84. The curb judges and clerks will be Deavours, the garbage trucks needing to Goforth, Theodora Rojas, and Lydia Correa.

- Granted permission for behind fire station 1 on Turner Street, and also approved his request to look They will document it and into purchasing new radios

Cooper stated that Yucca Agreed to give Shaun will provide a trial radio and into go out to bid for 3 new radios.

- Discussed burning within the city limits of Texico.

Apparently there called to put out the fires.

In one instance a home was scorched by flames.

The council said that there is to be no burning within the

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Dollie Herington, also known as, Mary Arman Herington, deceased, were issued on February 7, 2000, in Cause No. 2405, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: John Lendon

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Attorney at Law

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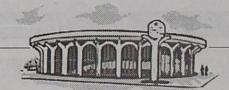
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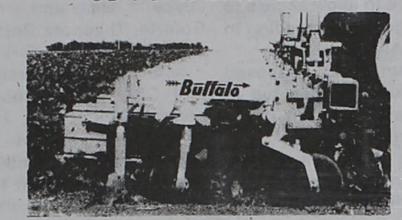
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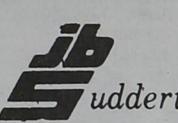


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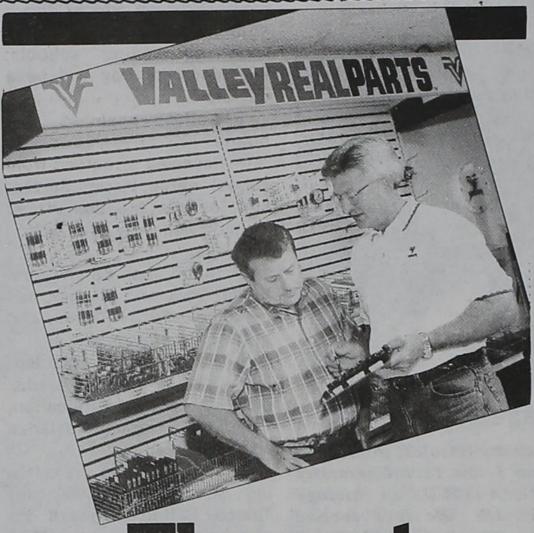
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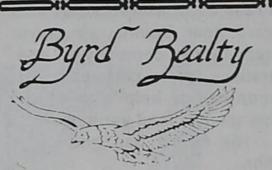
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Top readers

Here are the Texico Elementary accelerator reader weekly winners for Jan. 31-

Kindergarten Kylynn Thomas.

1st grade - Jose Posada. 2nd grade - Jazmine Ortiz.

3rd grade - Shelby Queener and Brandon Hadley. 4th grade - Dimas Nativi-

5th grade - Paul Salguero. The top accelerated readers at Texico Schools for the

week of Jan. 17-21 were: Kindergarten -Kylynn Thomas; 1st grade - Tyler Kelley; 2nd grade - Joshua Bruton; 3rd grade - Braeden Hadley; 4th grade - Gilbert

Salguero The top accelerated readers for the week of Jan. 24-28

Kindergarten -Naomi Chavez; 1st grade - Kolten Miller; 2nd grade - Victoria Richards; 3rd grade - Osvaldo Munoz; 4th grade - Barbara Vidal; 5th grade - Bobby

WTRT to award scholarships

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative is accepting applications for scholarships to be awarded in May.

Scholarships are open only to students whose parents or guardians are WTRT members, or, to students who are WTRT members themselves.

Applicants must also be either high school seniors who are candidates for graduation this spring, have completed high school, or have recieved their GED.

The 2000 scholarships are open to qualified applicants from the Friona, Bovina, Farwell and Lazbuddie school dis-

Scholarship monies will be disbursed in increments per semester.

An official application form, accompanied by two letters of recommendation, and a wallet-size photo must be submitted.

One of the letters of recommendation must be from a teacher, principal, or counselor from the high school that the applicant is currently attending, or attended, or from a college/trade school instructor is you are currently enrolled.

Applications and rules mey be picked up at the high school counselor's offices in Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, and Farwell.

To be considered, applications must be fully completed, have no attachments other than the photo and two required letters of recommendation, and must be recieved at the office of WTRT, Box 1737, Hereford, Texas 79045, no later than April

Country Club expansion still studied

Wonder where the pro- voted on it yet. posed expansion of the Farwell Country Club to 18 holes is?

The committee set up to look into the feasibility has not made a recommendation to the board yet; and, obviously, the members have not

The committee is still "crunching numbers" to see if it can work.

The expense to increase to 18 holes was more than at first anticipated. And the cash flow has to be studied further.

Mechanics of the scholarships include the following:

*WTRT scholarships may be used at any state or churchsponsored college or university, or at any accredited vocational or technical support.

*Recipients must maintain a minimim of twelve credited hours throughout each semester, or have full-time student status at vocational or trade schools.

*It is important that as soon as enrollment or preenrollment for the fall semester is completed, that recipients send the Cooperative a confirmation from the registrar's office. Should a recipient drop out of school for any reason, the unused portion of the scholarship will be recinded.

*At the end of each semester, recipients are requested to send a report of their grades to: West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Box 1737, Hereford, Texas 79045

Texico spring project show is scheduled for Feb. 19

The annual Texico FFA Spring Project Show will be held Feb. 19 at the Texico School Farm.

The Texico Greenhand class is in charge of operations at the show.

The following numbers are to be expected: Beef heifers, 5; steers, 12; dairy heifers, 5; and pigs, 20.

Weighing pigs measuring steers will begin at 6 p.m.(mst) on Feb. 18.

A hamburger fry is also expected to begin at that time.

The Grand Champion for each division will be awarded a buckle.

The Reserve Grand Champion of each division will receive a plaque, and each showmanship wimmer will receive a jacket.

The beef heifers will show at 9 a.m. followed by the dairy heifers at 9:30. Pigs will show at 10 a.m. and the steers will show at 11 a.m.

The Greenhand class will operate the concession stand.

Participants in the show are selling chances on 1/2 of a hog, wrapped and frozen, for \$1 per chance.

Proceeds will be used for prize money.



Go, Lady Longhorns!



Lazbuddie vs. Happy for District Championship 7 p.m. - Friday, Feb. 11 Hereford High gym

Special note to folks who plan to attend this game: the gym is on the junior high campus across from the football field.



The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns: front row from left, Kayla Kimbrough, Mayra Hernandez, Staci Foster, Savannah Black; back row, Scottie Brown, Laura Jo Via, Kendra Gallman and coach Carey Sudduth. Not pictured is Leah Turner.



This is how the Lady 'Horns will look if they win state!

-- Photo courtesy of Ed Douglas

Lady Longhorns 20-7

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Lazbuddie 45	Ira 49
Lazbuddie 59	Southland 18
Lazbuddie 48	Cotton Center 27
Lazbuddie 44	Boys Ranch 22
	Cotton Center 26
Lazbuddie 54	Three-Way 24
Lazbuddie 25	
Lazbuddie 30	Silverton 32
Lazbuddie 39	Hart 49
Lazbuddie 53	Claude 57
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Lazbuddie 63	Cotton Center 31
Lazbuddie 46	Meadow 43
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Lazbuddie 42	Spade 24
Lazbuddie 63	Cotton Center 33
Lazbuddie 46	Happy 43
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